

# In the United States Court of Federal Claims

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U.S. COURT OF  
FEDERAL CLAIMS

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COURTNEY GROOMS, Mother and \*  
Representative of the Estate of \*  
AYON CONWAY, a minor, deceased, \*

Petitioner, \*

v. \*

SECRETARY OF HEALTH \*  
AND HUMAN SERVICES, \*

Respondent. \*

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No. 06-773V

Special Master Christian J. Moran

Filed: March 24, 2008

### ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS DECISION\*

Petitioner, Courtney Grooms, as representative of the estate of Ayon Conway, seeks reimbursement for attorneys' fees and costs. The Court orders the amount to which the respondent has not objected.

On February 11, 2008, Ms. Grooms filed a motion detailing her claim for attorneys' fees and costs. On February 27, 2008, Ms. Grooms submitted a statement indicated that Ms. Grooms, herself, did not pay any costs.

Respondent objected to some costs and the parties negotiated a reduced amount. On March 3, 2008, Ms. Grooms filed an amended request and stated that respondent did not object to the renewed amount.

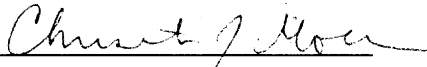
After reviewing the request, the court awards **\$35,000.00** in attorney's fees and other

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\* The undersigned intends to post this decision on the United States Court of Federal Claims's website, in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-347, 116 Stat. 2899, 2913 (Dec. 17, 2002). As provided by Vaccine Rule 18(b), each party has 14 days within which to request redaction "of any information furnished by that party (1) that is trade secret or commercial or financial information and is privileged or confidential, or (2) that are medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of privacy." Vaccine Rule 18(b). Otherwise, "the entire" decision will be available to the public. Id.

litigation costs. The court thanks the parties for their cooperative efforts in resolving this matter. The Clerk shall enter judgment accordingly.<sup>1</sup>

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

  
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Christian J. Moran  
Special Master

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<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to Vaccine Rule 11(a), the parties can expedite entry of judgment by each party filing a notice renouncing the right to seek review by a United States Court of Federal Claims judge.